

Project Data Sheet

Scottsdale, Arizona



Title Sonoran Suite, Landscape Viewing Platform

Location Princess Drive, Scottsdale, Arizona

Description

Sonoran Suite is a large landscape viewing platform where four sculptures are viewing portals which frame significant mountain views surrounding the City of Scottsdale, Arizona. The four bronze portal sculptures are imaged from tiny fragments gathered in the landscape, such as seeds, buds, etc. These small bits of landscape ecology are enlarged to dramatic proportions and transformed into the bronze portals that frame the distant desert landscape from which they are taken. The work describes Scottsdale by bringing the participant to the distant mountains that ring the City. Rather than using the City and the car as a way of conditioning our view of the landscape, the reverse is true and we are asked to regard our urban existence as part of a larger, more sacred order.

Date 2006

Medium Bronze, concrete, trees

Dimensions 16' H x 100' W x 22' D

Commissioned by Scottsdale Public Art Program, Scottsdale Cultural Council

Subcontractor Metal Arts Foundry, Lehi, UT

Valley Rain